



Disaster News

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ASSISTANCE CENTER TO OPEN IN SISKIYOU

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – An assistance center will open Wednesday in Yreka to assist Siskiyou County residents who suffered damage in the December-January flooding, state and federal disaster recovery officials said today.

Affected homeowners, renters and business owners should register for federal and state assistance first online at www.fema.gov or by calling **1-800-621-FEMA** (**3362**) or (TTY) **1-800-462-7585** between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Those who had damage should contact their insurance companies before registering with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The center will be set up in three Siskiyou communities in the next two weeks. The schedule:

Feb. 15-18 Armory Building, 1712 Fairlane Rd., Yreka.

Feb. 20-22 Fort Jones City Hall, 11960 East St.

Feb. 23-25 U.S. Forest Service Compound, 63822 Highway 96, Happy Camp.

Feb. 27-March 4 Armory Building, 1712 Fairlane Rd., Yreka.

The center will be staffed by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) and other state agencies, voluntary agencies, FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration, other federal agencies, and local agencies to answer questions and provide information about disaster recovery and reducing damage in future disasters.

Center hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. The center will be closed on Sundays.